GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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TATKAL SCHEME
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the passengers are required to pay for the entire fare of the train's originating station to the terminating point under the "Tatkal Scheme";

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government proposes to reconsider the change this scheme; and

(d) if so, the time by which it is likely to be implemented?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS(SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA)

(a) & (b): Tatkal scheme is primarily meant for passengers travelling from originating to destination stations. The passengers boarding from intermediate stations have been allowed to avail this facility in such trains by paying fare from originating to destination with boarding facility from intermediate station. This has been done with a view to maximize the utilisation of available accommodation.

On low demand sectors, Tatkal quota has also been earmarked at certain intermediate stations, so that the passengers travelling from originating station to any station short of such intermediate station will pay fare upto that intermediate station only.

For trains with less than 50% average utilization of Tatkal accommodation in Sleeper class, there is no such restriction and Tatkal tickets can be booked like general quota on payment of requisite tatkal charges.

(c) & (d): No such decision has been taken as yet.